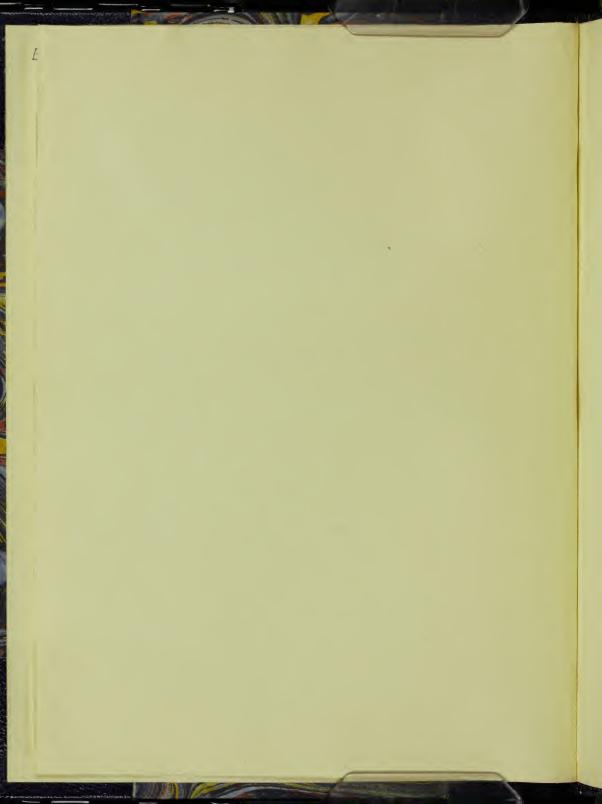


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Kingdom of Ireland,

Year 1641. When the then Rebellion began, and how disposed in 1653. when the War and Rebellion was declared at an End, and how disposed in 1662. upon the Alts of Setlement, and how the Proprieties stand this present Year 1689. with the Survey, Loss, Cost and Charge of both Parties by the aforesaid War, or Rebellion:

Inferences and Exposulations from thewhole, faithfully Calculated in so concile a Method and Order as was never done before: Humbly tendred to the Consideration of the KINGS most Excellent MAJESTY, and the PARLIAMENT of LORDS and COMMONS now Sitting at Westminster.

To which is added,

A List of the present Nobility of IRELAND Protestant and Papist.

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MAJESTY.

May it please your Majesty,

Sit hath pleased the Eternal Providence to make Your Majesty the Illustrious Instrument of Saving these Three Kingdoms, now under Your happy Government, from an Inundation of Popery and Slavery, just ready to break down the Banks of their Ancient Laws and Liberties: So is it the Duty of every particular Person, to the utmost of his Abilities, to prostrate at Your Royal Feet. those Lights and Discoveries, which he may have gained by long Experience and Observation; to the end Your Majesty may the better be Enabled, by the General Survey of the State of Affairs, in any of Your Kingdoms, and a fair Prospect of their past ill Government, to apply those Remedies Which Your Majesty in Your Great Princely Wisdom and Prudence, shall deem most conducing to the Establishment of their future Happiness: Since it is yet undetermin'd among the most deeply Learned, by which means a Potent Monarch gains the most durable Renown, whether by Ere-Eting a New Fabrick of Dominion, or by Reforming the Errors of an Ancient Constitution.

These Papers therefore, may it please Your Majesty, falling into my Hands, and being by my self Imparted to some Persons of Eminent Degree, and better acquain-

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The Epistle Dedicatory.

ted with the Affairs of Ireland, I was encouraged to believe, That it would be no Unkindness done to the Author, to Prostrate them with all Humility to Your Majestys Royal Consideration; That so Your Majesty might with less Trouble understand the present Condition of that Your Kingdom, in reference to the Partial Disposal of the Lands and Possessions in that Kingdom; whereby it doth manifestly appear, what Interest prevail'd in the Punishment (if so it may be called) of the Subdued Itish for all the Massacres they committed, and all the Blood they spilt in the late Rebellion, as if the Irish had Rebelled to be the only Gainers, and the English had expended so much Treasure, and the Lives of so many Thousands to be the only Loosers in the Distributions of their Conquests; The Victors not being permitted to enjoy what they had justly won by the Sword, while the Irish were restored to what they had as truly forfeited by their Cruel Disloyalty, by which partial Piece of Justice, the Victors were indeed subdued, and the Conquered were in the Conclusion victorious.

All which being fully made out in the following Sheets, I thought it my Duty, most humbly to add this smaller Offering of my sincere Integrity to serve Your Majesty, to the better Assistance and Information of Persons more able though of none more ready and zealous to approve himself by all the strictest Performances of Loyalty and Allegiance,

Your Majesties most humble, obedient and faithful Subject and Servant.

This LETTER, and the Calculations annexed were Trafmitted from Dublin, to the late King JAMES the Second in the Year 1688. Some few Weeks before His Highness the PRINCE of ORANGE Landed in ENGLAND.

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HE true intent of Your Majesty's most humble Orator, by this and his former Address, being to give Truth a release from the common restraints of sear, flattery or favour, that so Your Majesty having a true representation of Persons and things here, may be the better enabled and encouraged to apply suitable and seasonable Remedies, to the most desperate Maladies of this late happy, but now most miserable, Country.

Your Majesty cannot but know, that most Princes, have by advantageous Experience, found publick truths made known by private when suppressed by publick Persons, yet that the Mattets herein contained might contract no pre-

judice, by the obscure Instrument that conveys it.

As in his former Letter, he humbly referred the Particulars to a Person of greater Circumstances of Credit with Your Majesty, then can be found in this Country. And as to the Calculations hereunto annexed, Your Majesty will find their Credit most supported on your own Records, and where those are defective, that supply is made by those probable Conjectures, which are as well as the Records in themselves evident, those Conjectures being either grounded on that common principle of Commutative Justice, or subjected to the Mensurations of the Altitude, and Magnis tude, of Coelestial bodies, made by Astronomers, which are demonstrable, may, and must be more, but cannot be less, then those Computations makes them.

I know that the loss of Five Millions and Five Hundreds and Fifty Thousands, mentioned in the Foot of the annext Estimate, as lost by a less then two Years, Irish Government,

feems to be a prodigious, and an incredible loss;

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But that Sum not appearing to be a Third of the whole value of the Kingdom, and it being manifest, that at least one fourth of the Houses in this City of Dublin are now wast, and that House-rent here and elsewhere are fallen at least one Third of their former Annual value, and that Lands in the Country are generally fallen more then one Fourth, and the Inheritance now refused at Eight Years Purchase, which would not before have been sold for near double that value.

Some here and those none of the meanest Criticks in Calculations, drawing Inferences from the aforesaid premises, do conclude that this Kingdom is sunk more than a movety of its intrinsic value, within the said time.

Especially when they add to the aforesaid considerations, the great Impair of the British Trade. The Traders now left, being not worth a Moyety of those we have lost, and

these seeming rather prepared for flight then stay.

While by the open packing of Irish Juries, corrupting of Evidence, and Partiality of Irish Judges, they see it in the Natives Power to take what British Life or Estate they please, and to make the most Innocent Person suffer as the greatest Malesactor; and all the while not seemingly break any Law by so doing. It is well known that upwards of Fifty Indictments were sound by Irish Evidence against the British who were most Celebrated for Loyalty in this Kingdom; who though they were afterwards all acquitted as being innocent, had yet in all probability suffered as Traytors, had not the unexpected coming of the Earl of Clarendon to the Government, and his appointing Protestant Sheriss broke those Snares.

Your Maj sty so well knowing the Validity of Oaths; as to the Proof of Crimes and Titles by the English Laws, will easily believe what fatal Execution a people let loose may do on a people bound by those Cords; Especially where Perjury is, by some held no Sin, by most a venial Sin, and by others a duty. How often do we now see forged Deeds, formerly most justly condemn'd, revived; how often do we see and that to the great Scandal of Justice

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and Government, Your Majesties Irish Councel making use of Your Majesties Name, as Highway men do of your Publick Road, that they may the better violate your Law, rob your Subjects, and enrich themselves, and Pirate-like, make all prize that are weaker and wealthier than themselves?

How often do we hear the poor British reflecting on the late bad and miserable times, when the Irish made all the British within their reach either accessaries to their Guilt, or Subject to their Wrath? When in six Months time without Comiseration to Sex or Age without any Opposition or Provocation they Murthered upwards of one hundred thousand British in one Province of this Kingdom, and that with all imaginable Circumstances of Cruelty and Barbarity? All which must be true or the Records taken on your Father of blessed memories Commission, reciting Circumstances of time, place and number of Persons so Murthered must be all false, and had the Government, Garrisons and Army been then, as now, in the Irish hands, it is more then probable, there had not one British Person been left alive in this Kingdom.

And can the fright of the British at, and their flight from, these Flames now, which they found and felt so destructive then, be matter of blame to them or supprize to any, or can it be prefumed that the natives disapointment by that War hath lesned their rage, or bettered their Nature, if when the Irish had no share in the Government, nor Arms, nor knowledge how to use them, and no come mand of Garrisons or Souldiers, but these and many other advantages in the British hands, if they were then able, to make their wrath so successful, what can rationally be expected, to become of the British, now amongst them? I do the more willingly Enumerate these Particulars rather to confirm the following, and more moderate Estimate, then the larger made by others, concerning the aforesaid loss. Yet this I may with more truth then satisfaction affirm, that if the judicial proceedings past in that time are not re-

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veiw'd, if the gaps lately made, to let in an inundation of Arbitrary Power, on the British Propriety is not repaired, and those who made them severely punished; and lastly, if no better security, then Irish Judges, Sheriss and Juries can be found to preserve the British Proprieties, Ichabod may well be the Character, a Foreigner the Master, and desolation the portion, of this unhappy Country, when it becomes a habitation for wild Beasts, or worse Creatures, under only

the shape and resemblance of human Features.

Your Majesties Improvement of these and better helps may so open your Ears, that in the words of the Psalmist, The sorrowful sighing of the Prisoner may come up before you; and then I no ways doubt, but in the further words of the same Psalmist, according to the greatness of your Power and Goodness of your Nature, you will preserve those who seem appointed to dye, that they may yet live to pray for your Majesties long Life, &c. as doth, may it please your Majesty, your Majesties most humble, dutiful and obedient Subject and Servant.

An Estimate Containing,

r. The Latitude, Longitude and Survey of the whole Kingdom of Ireland.

2. What Part or how many Acres thereof are profitable,

and how many unprofitable.

3. The Annual value, with the value of the Inheritance of both in 1641. before the Late Irish Rebellion began, with what it was reduced unto in the Years 1653. when the said Rebellion was declared at an end.

How the faid Irish Propriety was settled, and disposed in

the faid Year, 1653.

How disposed in 1662. and 1663. by the Acts of Setlement, and Explanation, and by the Commissioners for Executing the said Acts.

How it stands on the date of this Estimate, viz. in the

Year 1688.

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The particular loss and gain of both Protestant and Irish part, by the said Rebellion.

The whole charge of the then King and the Protestant'

Party, to suppress the said Rebellion.

Lastly Inferences from all the aforesaid Calculations.

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The Latitude of Ireland, North, is parralel to Dumfrize in Scotland, which is about Sixty Miles more North then England.

South it is parralel to St. Michaels Mount in Cornwall.

The Longitude, West, to the utmost point of Ireconough in the County of Galloway.

East, to the Head of Hath near Dublin.

The whole number of Acres, by comparing several Surveys, appears to be about ten Millions and sour Hundred Thousand Irish Acres, (twenty one Foot to the Perch) which make about Seventeen Millions English Measure, and makes Ireland equal in quantity to England; Wales excepted.

Of the said ten Millions sour Hundred Thousand Acres, there appears to be about three Millions of Mountains,

Wood, Bog and other unprofitable Acres.

So that the profitable part appears to be about feven Millions and four Hundred Thousand Acres, which were thus seized, possessed and enjoyed Anno. 1641. before the Rebellion began.

First, The British or Protestant Propriety, was then about two Millions sour Hundred Thousand of the said

profitable Acres, Irih Measure.

The Irish, or Roman Catholicks Propriety was the remainder, being about five Millions of the said Acres,

Memorandum, that in Anno. 1653. 'the Rebellion was publickly declared to be at an end, and then the aforestid Irish Propriety, of the said five Millions of Acres was diffributed and disposed of as follows.

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restored about one Hundred Thousand Acres.

Secondly, There was set aside to satisfie the Officers, and Souldiers who served in the Irish War before Anno. 1649. being the Year Oliver Cromwel came over into Ireland in the Counties of Wicklow, Longford, Letrym, Donnegal, and within the Mileline of Sca and Shannon, about four Hundred Thousand Acres.

Thirdly, There was distributed to the adventurers who advanced Monies on the Asts of the Seventeenth and Eighteenth of King Charles the First, to carry on the War of

Ireland, about eight Hundred Thousand Acres.

Fourthly, There was set forth to the Officers and Souldiers, who served from 1649. until the Year 1653. being the declared end of the said War, about two Millions of Acres,

Fifthly, There was fet forth to several Grants, about

one Hundred Thousand Acres.

Sixthly, To the Roman Catholicks according to their feveral proofs of their qualifications by the Commissioners at Loughreagh, pursuant to the decrees of the Commissioners at Athloane, about seven Hundred Thousand Acres in the

Province of Consugh, and County of Clare.

Seventhly, There was set aside for the support of the Government, the forfeited Houses in the walled Towns, and about Eight Hundred Thousand Acres in the Counties of Dublin, Louth, Cork, Cathorlough and Kildare; the most of which were set in Leases of Thirty one Years, to British Protestants.

Memorandum. That the aforesaid British or Protestant Proprieties were Anno. 1653. restored to the respective for-

mer Proprietors.

And thus stood the Proprieties of Lands in the Kingdom of Ireland, until Anno 1660. The restauration of the Late King.

Memorandum, That in Years 1661. 1662. and 1663. by Acts of Parliament and decrees of the Court of Claims, there were taken away from the aforesaid Interests and retrenchments of one third, by the Explanatory Act, and restored to former Proprietors about two Millions of Acres of the aforesaid Lands, so that at the Period of the said Commissions of Claims, the aforesaid Propriety was as follows,

First, The Protestant Propriety, and the Propriety of the Roman Catholicks, who proved their constant good affection to the English, were untoucht, either by Act of Parliament or decrees of the Court of Claims.

Secondly, The Lands of the Officers who served his Majesties in the Irish War, before the Year 1649. were reduced to about one hundred and ninety thousand Acres, the rest of their Lands were restored to former Irish Proprietors.

Thirdly, The aforesaid Adventurers satisfaction was by the said Acts of Parliament, and decrees of the Court of Claims reduced to about three hundred thousand Acres.

Fourthly, Remaining then with the Officers and Soulders who served since the Year 1649. about twelve huns dred thousand Acres.

Fifthly, There was then left with the Transplantable Irish in the Province of Conaugh and County of Clare about six hundred Thousand Acres.

Sixthly, There were confirmed to Grantee, by the Ass of Parliament about Two hundred thousand Acres, of which about one Moyety was to Roman Catholics, the other to British Protestants.

Seventhly, There is left of course Lands, undisposed and over-plus Lands in the hands of Souldiers and Adventurers about one hundred thousand Acres.

So that there appears, confirm'd by Acts of Parliament, and the Commissioners of the Explanatoric Acts, about seventeen hundred and eighty thousand Acres, to the Souldiery and Adventurers, and to the Protestant Grantees by

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Provisoes in both the said Acts about one hundred thoufand Acres, and the like Sum of course retrench'd and undisposed Lands, are still in the King's hands; which makes in all about Two Millions of Irifb Acres, which is all that the Crown of England and British Interest hath got, and the Irish then lost by that Rebellion. But since by His Majesties present Rent-Roll, there appears above two Thirds of the aforesaid two Millions, to be got by pretended Deeds, set up by the Irifh, or by Purchases made at univaluable Rates, both by the Iriff, and the former British Inhabitants of that Country; fo that now there is little appearance of that late numerous and victorious Interest, which resemed this Kingdom out of Triffs Rebels and British Male Content's handsy which how valuable the foresaid two Millions of Acres were, and now are, will appear by the next general Head, which contains the annual Value and Inheritance of the said Lands in the Year 1641. before the Rebellion began and to what value both Roman Catholick and Protefunt Propriety was reduced in the Year 1653, when the faid Rebellion was declared at an End, all which will more fully appear by the following Diagram,

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ling.

Memorandum, That besides the aforesaid Irish Propriety in Lands, there appears by your Majesty's Records in the Auditory Office that there were as many Houses in Walled Towns, besides Tythes and Restories belonging to the Irish, which did yield in Anno 1653, about five thousand pounds Sterling per annum, which at eight years purchase was then worth forty thousand pounds Sterling.

Memorandum, That the Protestant Propriety, within the Walled Towns, is not included in the above Calculations, neither the Tythes or Glebe belonging to two thousand four hundred Parish Churches; there being about that Number

of Parishes in this Kingdom.

The next general Head is the particular Loss and Gain

of both British and Irish by the said Rebellion.

Memorandum, That by the aforesaid Article, it appears, that the British have got, and the Irish have lost by the said Rebellion, about two millions of Acres, which by the aforesaid Valuations in the Year 1653. appear to be worth two millions of nine pences per annum, which is seventy five thousand pounds Sterling and at eight years purchase for the Inheritance, is six hundred thousand pounds Sterling.

This was the Common value when the British entred on the said forfeited Lands; and to this is to be added the aforesaid forty thousand pounds for their Interest in Walled

Towns and Rectories.

This six hundred and forty thousand pounds is the whole of the British Gain, and Irish Loss by the said Rebellion.

· Memorandum, That the Irish loss of Houses, Goods Stocks, &c. being occasioned by their own Rebellion are not included in this calculation.

The next thing considerable is the Irish gain, and the British loss, which appear by these following Particulars.

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I. By thirteen Years loss of Rents, the Annual Propriety of the British did amount, as aforesaid, before the Rebellion began, to four hundred and eighty thousand Pounds, which for thirteen Years amounts unto six millions two

hundred and forty thousand Pounds Sterling.

II. The said Rebellion began the 23d. of October 1641. at which time the British had one whole Years stock of Hay and Corn by them, which usually supplyed them, with materials to satisfie their Number and May Rents then ensuing, and had likewise then sowed their Winter Corn, both which could not be less worth then half a Years Rent of the whole Land, which appears as aforesaid, to be two

hundred and forty thousand Pounds.

III. The British Propriety was as is well known, well stock'd and improved Anno. 1641. and consisting of two millions four hundred thousand Acres Irish Measure, which appears to be near a third of the whole Kingdom, must have its proportion of the three millions of unprofitable Acres as aforesaid, and there could not be less stock, on two Acres and a halt Irish Measure (which considering the Addition of the unprofitable must be more then four English Acres) then one Beast on the Pasturable Part; what Acres were under Corn must be of a much higher value, which Beast Communi Rato, could not be of less value then twenty Shillings; by which the value of the British stock at a moderate rate appears in the Year 1641. to be worth two millions four hundred thousand Pounds.

IV. The value of their Houses, Goods and Improvements cannot be valued at less then double the value of their stocks, which makes four millions eight hundred thousand Pounds. The aforesaid four Sums which were received, and robbed or taken from the British during the said Rebellion appears to be thirteen millions two hundred and forty thousand Pounds, which supposeth the whole British Propriety, to be robb'd, spoiled or enjoyed by the Irish during the said Rebellion, whereas it is evident that the Metropolis of Dublin, the City of Droghedagh in the Pro-

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Yet abating the tenths, there remains neat loss to the British, and got by the Irish twelve millions one hundred

and thirty thousand Pounds Sterling.

V. On or about the Years 1662, and 1662, there was taken from the British and restored to the Irish, by Acts of Parliament and Decrees of the Court of Claims, above two millions of profitable Acres, the Annual value of which said Lands in Anno. 1653, when the British first re-entred upon them at nine pence an Acre appears to be feventy five thousand; which at eight Years Purchase for the Inheritance is, fix hundred thousand Pounds, but by the British enjoyment and improvement of the said Lands from 1653, until 1662, and 1663, the Annual value of the faid Lands was raised unto two Shillings three pence an Acre, which was two hundred twenty and five thousand Pounds Sterling and the Inheritance at ten Year-Purchase, Lands being then fo usually set and fold, in those times, and the Inheritance of the aforesaid two millions, appearing not to be worth more in the Year 1653. When the Britill entred on them, then fix hundred thousand Pounds; which being deducted out of two millions two hundred and fifty thousand Pounds Sterling, it appears that the British have lost and the Irish have got by the two millions of Acres to as before reffered, fixteen hundred and fifty thousand Pounds; which being added to the aforesaid twelve millions one hundred and thirty thousand Pounds, its lear by the aforefaid Particulars, that the British have loft,

lost, and the Irish have got by their Rebellion, Thirteen Millions seven hundred and eighty thousand Pounds, to which being added the five Millions forty thousand pounds damage done the British Propriety, as appears by the forementioned Diagram, in reducing the values of the Inheritance of the said Lands in 1653. from what it was worth in 1641, makes the neat damage of the Protestant Propriety by the said Rebellion to be eighteen millions eight hundred and twenty thousand Pounds Sterling.

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1. By an adjusted Account now of Record here in Dublin it appears, that from the 23th, of October 1641, to the Year 1649, there was due only to the Commissioned Officers, about eighteen hundred thousand pounds Sterling.

2. There could not be less than double that Sum due to the Non-Commissioned Officers and private Soldiers within the said time, which amounts to three millions six hundred

thousand pounds.

3. There was received by the faid Officers and Soldiers in Noneys, Quarters and Provisions within the faid time, one fourth of the whole, which was defaulted out of the Officers Debenters, and amounted to one million three hundred and forty thousand pounds.

So that from 1641 to 1649, the Charge of the said War appears to be at least six millions seven hundred and forty thousand pounds; and what since, to the Period of the War in 1653, appears by these following Particulars.

1. By an adjusted Account, there appears due to the Officers and Souldiers, who served within the said time, about twelve hundred thousand pounds, which was satisfyed in Lands.

2. The faid Officers and Soldiers were paid two Parts more in Money, which was two millions four hundred thoufand pounds.

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3. There was one fourth deducted out of both Officers and Soldiers Debenters on the account of quarters and provision, which amounts to, as aforesaid, twelve hundred

thousand pounds.

4. By an adjusted account it appears, that the English Adventurers advanced in the Years 1641 and 1642 about four hundred thousand pounds, which Money being advanced and paid in the aforesaid Years of 1641 and 1642 and no satisfaction made until the Year 1655 and 1656, the Interest must be more than the Principle, which amounts at least to eight hundred thousand pounds.

5. There was near ten thousand Scots, who served most part of the War, in the Province of Ulster, under the command of General Lesley; but their Arrears being never stated, adjusted nor paid, cannot be so Particularly ascertained, but cannot be less then one Million of Pounds.

Memorandum, That there was many Independent Troops in Ulster and Munster whose accompts were never

adjusted, satisfied or paid.

Memorandum, That in this Calculation is also omitted the most Christian and Charitable releif given and sent by the States of Holland, who in one Ship sent thirty thousand Pounds in provisions in the beginning of the Rebellion, which came so Seasonable that hundreds of British Families were thereby preserved from starving and perishing, nor is there mentioned the charge of Ships, Arms or Ammunition during the War.

Memorandum, That there is not any mention made of the great Collection of Charity for the releif of the despoyled

Protestants of the Country.

The aforesaid Particulars since the Year 1649, amounted to six millions six hundred thousand Pounds; before 1649, appears to be six millions seven hundred and forty thousand Pounds.

Both Sums containing the whole of the aforesaid charge amount to thirteen millions three hundred and forty thousand Pounds.

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The British or Protestant loss and damage appears to be as aforesaid eighteen millions eight hundred sixty two thousand Pounds, and both together make Thirty two millions one hundred and sixty thousand Pounds.

From all the Premises aforementioned the Inferences

following do naturally arise.

I. Whereas the English adventurers debt who advanced Money on the credit of two Acts of Parliament in the Year 1641. and 1642. for support of the Irish War did amount to more then eight hundred thousand Pounds, and it appearing as aforesaid, that they received not more then three hundred thousand Acres of Land for satisfaction of of the said debt, and it likewise appearing by the aforesaid Diagram, that the Annual value of the said Lands was at most but eleven thousand two hundred and sifty Pounds, it is manifest that the said adventurers paid more then seventy Years Purchase for what was not worth really more then eight.

2. Whereas there appears as aforesaid due to the English Souldiery above all the deductions, six millions six hundred thousand Pounds Sterling, and those who served before the Year 1649. having received but one hundred and ninety thousand Acres of Land, and as many Houses in Walled Towns, and Incumbrances, as were worth at most but

five thousand Pounds per annum.

And whereas it appears that the Souldiery since 1649. had less them by the Court of Claims about twelve hundred thousand Acres, making in all about thirteen hundred and ninety thousand Acres which with the five Thousand Pounds per annum for Rents of Houses, &c. appears at most to be worth no more then sifty seven thousand one hundred twenty sive Pounds per annum, as appears by the aforesaid Diagram it is as clear that the said Souldiery have paid more then one hundred and sisteen Years Purchase for what was not worth more then eight.

3. Whereas it appears as aforesaid, that the whole loss in Houses, Lands, Tythes and Rectories of the Irish do amount at most but to six hundred and forty thousand Pounds, and

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1. As much Corn and Hay from the British as was at least worth as aforesaid two hundred and forty thousand Pounds, which Sum alone is more then one third of their whole loss.

2. The British stock of Horses, Sheep, Cattle, &c. appears as aforesaid to be worth two millions eight hundred thousand Pounds, which appears to be more then four times the aforesaid loss.

3. The British Houses, Goods and Improvements which the Irish got, and the British lost, appears to be five millions six hundred thousand Pounds, which is more then nine times the aforesaid loss.

4. The Rents which the Irish received from the British Propriety during their Rebellion, amounting to five millions eight hundred and forty thousand Pounds as aforesaid is

more then nine times the aforesaid loss.

The British loss in their Improvements on the restored Lands by the Court of Claims in 1662, and 1663, amounts to sixteen hundred and sixty thousand pounds as aforesaid, which alone is near Treble of the whole of the Irish loss.

Memorandum, That the aforesaid five Sums which the Irish got from the British, deducting the Tenth as aforesaid, is sisteen millions and thirty thousand pounds: so that it is plainly demonstrated, That the Irish got from the British more then Thirty times what they lost by their Rebellion.

Memorandum, That to the aforesaid British los, there is yet to be added the damage done their Propriety, from the value it was worth in the Year 1641, to what it was reduced to in the Year 1653, which appears to be five millions two hundred and eighty thousand pounds, which makes the whole loss and damage done the British by that Rebellion to amount unto above twenty millions of Pounds Sterling; which Sum appears to be lost out of less than a Third

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1. More than double the value of the whole Propriety of their Lands in the Year 1641, and more than twenty times the value it was reduced to in the Year, 1653.

2. It appears, as aforesaid, to be more than the whole Propriety, that all the Lands in this Kingdom, was worth in the Year 1641.

3. The Protestant's Loss and Damage, as aforesaid, appears

to be near double the charge of the aforesaid War.

4. It appearing before the death of Charles the Second, That Lands in this Kingdom, were raised to equal value in 1641, it is demonstrable, That the British Industry had raised this Kingdom, in thirty years time, notwithstanding all their discouragements, to upwards of fifteen millions of pounds Sterling.

The late King Charles in favour to the Irish, releasing by the Explanatory Act the clear Right, which the Crown had, to the whole Province of Connaught, Counties of Clare, Lymerick and Tipperary; His Majesty thereby parted with ten

times more than the Irish for seited.

VI. By Provisoes in the Act of Settlement and Explanation, and by Pensions and other Donatives given the Irish, as appears by the Treasury Accounts of both Kingdoms, there appears much more given to them, than was forseited or lost

by them.

VII. The last Parliament in this Kingdom, giving his Majesty twenty eight Subsidies, and three hundred thousand pounds in Money, gave more in value, than all the forfeitures by that Rebellion, they setling a revenue of upwards of two hundred thousand pounds per annum, on the Crown, with a Nemine Contradicente, by that gave more then ten times the value of the said forseitures.

VIII. The Charge of the said Rebellion, appearing to be thirteen millions three hundred and forty thousand pounds, it is evident, that the aforesaid Irish loss, will not

pay a fourteenth part of the said Charges.

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IX. Admit the Lands of this Kingdom were before the Commencement of the present Irish Government (or Irish Administration) raised to the value of 1641, and that Lands were only fallen one fourth in their yearly value, which appears to be about three hundred ninety three thousand pound, and that they were only sunk in the Inheritance, one third, which is five millions five hundred and fifty thousand pounds, then both making five millions nine hundred and forty three thousand pounds, which this Kingdom is already sunk, with only one years Irish Government.

X. Whereas it appears by the Excellent Preface of the Act of Settlement, that Anno 1660, seven years after the aforesaid Rebellion was declared at an End, when Persons and things were in calm and serene Frame in this Kingdom, the most able of the Irish Agents, were fully heard before His Majesty and Council in England, what they could answer in behalf of their Country-men, yet on the faid hearing, the Universal Guilt of the Irish, with their Horrid Massacres and Barbarous Murthers, in that Rebellion, were fully proved, their just Forfeitures of their Lives and Estates affirmed, and that Rebellion declared by the faid King and Council in England, and afterwards by the Parliament and Councel of Ireland, the most Horrid and Universal Rebellion which fel that Kingdom, and as thereby it appears to be the highest in point of Guilt, so by what hath been said as aforesaid, it appears to be the greatest in point of Loss and Charge, and though, as by the faid Excellent Preface, it further appears, that by Gods blefling on the British Forces, the faid Irish were Totally, Universally and Absolutely subdued, yet it appears, as aforesaid, that Affairs have been so managed, that the Nocent, Conquer'd Irish Party, both in times of Peace and War, have been Gainers, and the Innocent, Victorious British, the only Loofers by that Rebellion. But let it ever be remembred by your Majesty and not forgot by all Succeeding Kings of England.

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if ever the Irish give another occasion to try it. Lastly, Whereas it appears as aforesaid, that the whole Loss, Costs and Charge of the King and Protestant Party, to suppress the said Rebellion, did amount to thirty four millions four hundred and eighty thousand pounds Sterling, and whereas it sufficiently demonstrates, who have been the greatest Gainers, and greatest Loosers, so it shews who have most cause to complain of the dismal Essects of that Rebellion, whether the Conquering British, or the Conquered Irish: And so, it is more then probable, that the faid Rebellion began the 23th of October 1641. and ended in the Year 1653, and that as it cost and lost more Treasure, so if there were as careful a Scrutiny made after the Blood spilt, or occasion'd to be spilt, as of Treasury fpent; both would appear much greater, then the price of all the late Christian Victories over the great Turk, which may be a sufficient and seasonable Caution, both to Prince and People to prevent future Rebellions in this Kingdom, which fince its Original Conquest, hath by the Sins of both, been made an Acheldama, or Field of Blood. The late unusual Prodigies from the Heavens, the late dismal Apparitions in the Air, the late unheard of Inundation on this City, the astonishing Variances of our great Ones detecting each others Nakedness, the late revival of our National and Religious Animolities, with the British Migremus hine, and other fatal Prognostics, seems to fore-

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tell as fatal, or more fatal Judgments, than that which last befel this Kingdom, which next to the Abomination of Desolation, which befel the Jews, was the heaviest and sharpest, that ever befel so small a spot of the World, since the World began, which were it described, as it ought, could not be believed, but by such as saw it, were Actors in it, or fuffered by it, which with Gods bleffing on Your Majesty's Councels, may be yet easier prevented then hereaster cured, which is the proper end of this Estimate, and gives Foundation for the British following Expostulation with their King and their Irish Neighbours. at your of mulescentifican says old district the

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Dread Sir, 1 1 Hat have we done, to merit the severity of your V V highest displeasure? Nay, what have we not done, which might intitle us to your highest Favour; were we, or our Ancestors ever false? or were our Irish Adversaries, or theirs ever true to the Crown of England? The Irilb have frequently made us, and our Ancestors, Beggars, but never yet made either Rebels. Were not our Estates seized, our Houses burnt, our Goods and Stock plundered, our Chargeable and Laborious Improvements spoiled, our Persons stripped, and inhumanly Murthered in the Year 1641; only for our Loyalty to our God, and our King? And when by an Article made in the Cessation, every Individual Person was left to choose his Party, did not we, as Univerfally and Unanimously declare our selves of your Fathers Party; as the Irish, declared themselves to be of the Rebels Party? We, and our Ancestors have been constantly made the But, but its evident, that the Crown of England, and the Soveraignty of this Country, have been the Mark of the Natives Wrath. Though your Father left us, and that by a Law, to be supported by the Parliament Parliament of England, and they really were kind to us, in the day of our extremity, yet our Loyalty to him so subjected our gratitude to them, and the natural care of our Relations, that when we wanted hands, to revenge the innocent Blood, which the Natives had so inhumanly spilt, or to prevent them of spilling more; yet even then, at your Fathers Command we fent large supplies of both Horse and Foot, to Fight against that very Parliament, which then under God, were our only support.

And did we not continue thus dutiful, till your Fathers Necessities forced him to desert us, and give us leave to shift for our selves, and in this Exigence, which was about the Year 1646. was not his Grace, the Duke of Ormond, by the perfidious Treachery, and breach of Articles made by the Irish, reduced to that Arait, that he was forced to give up his Majesty's Sword, either to the Parliament of England, or to the Confederate Irish Assembly? And did not the Earl of Castlehaven, who was then a proscribed Person by the Parliament, and a General to the said Confederate Assembly, advise his Grace, rather to give up the Sword to the English, then to the Irish, and is not the reason of that Advice, made publick to the World in his Memoires?

And did not the faid Tuke of Ormond, then publickly, and frequently Caution the Parliaments Commissioners, how they ever trusted the Irish, letting them know, that they would serve any English Governour, as they had ferved him? And did he not a dvise his Officers, and Souldiers to joyn with any Party, that was English, to fight against the Irish? Fursuant to this Advice, we strait joyned our selves to the Parliament's Forces, and were eminently Instrumental, in that great Victory obtained against the Irish at Dungan Hill, and though we found a continued Series of success to attend our Service under the English Banners, yet no sooner did we see your Father sold by the Scots, little better then Imprisoned by the Parliament; and easily foreseeing, those methods, presaging worse to ensue, though the Parliaments Forces were Triumphant in the three

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Kingdoms, yet notwithstanding all discouragements, we entred in a new Treaty with the Confederate Catholics, and out of our passionate desire to serve and save your Majesty's Father in that Exigency, your Brother, and we submitted, to whatever Articles were proposed by the said Irish; yet as advantageous as those Articles were to them, and as prejudicial as they were to us, the Irish Commissioners could not be prevailed with to sign them, until the 17th of January 1648. when they well knew, it was too late, to prevent what followed the 30th sollowing, which Articles, whosoever reads will find them, the most Trayterous, that were ever made by Subjects with their Prince.

We thus finding, that we could not do, what we would, for your Father, and (vainly) hoping the Irib might be more Loyal and Faithful to your Brother; we joyn'd our selves to them, and continued with them, till we found, it was more for his Service, to leave them, then longer stay with them, their Armies proving Cowardly and Treacherous, and their Clergy charging us with their Crimes; though we stood, until we lost our Lives, by fighting with our own Country-men, in the Field, while they faved theirs, by running into the Neighbouring Woods and Bogs. Though we were the only Party that stood, and the Irish the only Party that run, at the Fight at Dublin, yet their Ecclesiastics charg'd us, as the occasion of that defeat, and the same Cause producing the same Effect, elsewhere, the Clergy openly Preach'd, That they could expect no better Success, while they joyned with us, that were Hereticks; and being difappointed in their frequent Attempts to Murther the Duke of Ormand, and charging all their Miscarriages on his want of Conduct, whereas their Supream Trusts had the whole Conduct of their Army, and his Grace nothing left but the bare Title of General; and he refusing to quit his empty Command at their defire, at a great meeting of their Bishops, and others their dignified Clergy, they fixed up a publick Excommunication against him, and all that should

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should joyn with him, or adhere to him. Which forced his Grace to leave the Kingdom incognito, and so he left us the second time to shift for our selves; and we conceiving it more for your Brothers Service, to leave them, then longer to joyn with them, we serving again under our Countrymens Banners, in less then two years time, with our help, the whole Kingdom was subdued. But that Army being headed by a Juncto Parliament, and they, and their Confidents, put into all places of Trust and Power in the other two Kingdoms, as well as in this, yet fo desirous, were we, to serve your Brother, and arrive at a lasting settlement; and so well known, were our defires and Intentions to our Brethren, and they so confident of our Affistance, that a few of us, without the help of an Irish hand; On the 13th of December 1659. Supprized, and Seized the strong Castle of Dublin, and in less then fourteen Days got the Power of the whole Kingdom into our Hands, and as foon as we had fetled it, tendred the Government to his late Majesty with the offer of a well regulated and disciplined Army to Affist his Restauration to his other Kingdoms, and had the Honour of being the first of the three Kingdoms, who declared for his Restauration. Was not his Majesty so highly pleased with the Sence of this our seasonable Loyalty, That he made our Tender, and his Gracions acceptance, to be made a perpetual Record in his High Court of Chancery in this Kingdom; and without any knowledg, petition or capitulation of ours, of his own free Will, gave us his Royal Assurance of being continued in our Em: ploys? And when by previous or legal Grants, that Grace was made unpracticable, in that case, the loosing Party was to be reprized in value, worth and purchase, as in, and by, the said Record, relation being thereunto had, it may, and will, more fully appear.

And was not most of us soon after chose Members of Parliament in this Kingdom? and did we not then, and there, with all imaginable circumstances of duty and affection, withour any confideration of our own straits, or Exigencies, give his Majesty twenty eight subsidies, and the Inheritance of a Revenue of more then two hundred thousand pounds per annum? And so passionately desirous were we, of living like good Neighbours, good Subjects, and good Christians, with the Irish, that we as readily confented, to pay his Majesties one full Years profit of our Estates, which we afterwards made up three hundred thousand pounds in Money, which was then more than one third of all the Current Coyn in this Kingdom, and this barely to supply and enable his Majesty to exercise his greater Bounty, to such of the Irish, as he knew most deferving; yet was this thought too little by the Irish Agents, though we had lost much of our Estates and improvements very severly by the Proceedings of the Court of Claims, and the faid Agents promising us an absolute confirmation, in what we had left, without expecting more from us, we readily confented to retrench one third, of what we then had, the aforesaid Particulars, being most of them matters of Record, some matters of Fact, and all demonstratively true, let all the Annals and Records of this, or former Ages be examined, and see if thence can be extracted, a Loyalty exceeding this of ours.

But Oh! let it not be told in Gath nor Published in the Streets of Askalon, the returns we have had for all these our aforesaid services, let them sink in perpetual oblivion, and never be remembred by Posterity, that we who gave such Evidences of our Loyalty to our Exiled Prince, were not thought sit to be employ'd after his return, that we who so faithfully served him in War and Misery, should be thrown out of his service in times of Peace and Prosperity, our Employs being not only taken from us, without any of that promised compensation made us, but that which

is yet worse, those very Employs put into the worst of Irish hands. Are not many of them now arm'd in peace, whom we lately disarm'd in War for being Rebels? Are not many, we then made Prisoners, now made our Masters? are not we made Captives to them in peace, which we made our Captives in time of War? did we give up the conquer'd Irish to your Brothers mercy to be now given up by your Majesty to their cruelty? Are not the Persons, most Rebellious, reputed now the most Loyal and meritorious, is not their late horrid Rebellion, made now the standard of Loyalty and merit? how often do we now hear, the Ultock Irish boast of their merit, that they killed one hundred thousand Hereticks in six Months time, and reproaching the Lempster Irish that they killed not half that number in double that time? who ever thought that the Boyles, Coots, St. Georges, &c. should be turned out and pursued as disaffected to your Majesty, and the Mac-gennis, Mac-mahous, Oneales, &c. brought into their places, and received as good Subjects.

And as I have often heard the British making the aforesaid, and like Expostulations with their King, so have I heard them as frequently making these and the like Expostulations with their Irish Neighbours.

Sirs, What are our Crimes, or what have we, or our fore-Fathers done? what is the greatness of our, or their guilt, that nothing but our utter Extirpation, can be our expiation? have not they and we, been ever pursued as Beasts of prey, by many of you, who have given clearer Evidence of your being Wolves, and Tygers, then Men or Christians? have we not dearly bought the Estates we have here enjoy'd? might we not have bought the best Land in England, on easier Terms then we paid for the worst in Ireland? did we first get them by oppression, or injury, that we must now loose them by Perjury and Forgery, after we have made the Annual value, more worth then the Inheritance when Purcha'd?

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When your Supream Councel were consulting how to destroy Cromwel, you know the advice given by the Lord Viscount Clanmaleer, which was to joyn with him, giving this, as his reason, that he never knew his Country Men joyn with any Party, but they streight destroyed them, you may make your selves as infamous to Posterity, as he who destroy'd Diana's Temple; you may destroy again much of the Country, but cannot long keep it.

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What if like Isaac we are now bound as a ready Sacrifice to your rage, was it your courage that did thus bind us? or our Submission to the will of God and his Vice-gerent, and as God wrought a Miraculous delivery for him, fo we doubt not but in his time, which is the best time, he will work the like for us? What if by the Misrepresentation of a great Courtier, or greater Favorite with his Prince, than with his God, we are now as the Jews, once were to Haman, given up to his hands, to be destroy'd? have we not a Queen Hester in our view, who is more able to save, then he to destroy us? what if we, who have been as terribly formidable to the Irifb, as Sampson was to the Philistians, having now our strength taken from us, are become as contemptible as he, without his Locks, yet on the return of our strength, we dispair not foon to pull down that Irish Fabric, which you have now set up to make us your slaves? what if your numbers were treble what they are, or can be, it is well known, we never feared you numbers, the more you are, the more will be to kill, to be taken and to run away? Do not think that the Irish Harp, or the fading Flower de Luce, can secure you from the British and Belgic Lyons in a day of Tryal.

You escaped well in the last Rebellion, think not to speed so well in the next, we know you got Favour and Forseitures enough in your last Rebellion to make satisfaction for the charge and mischeit you may do in your next, sero Sapient Phryges wherein perhaps God may arise, and Spirit Men to call to accompt that Ocean of Innocent Blood you spilt, and as yet unaccounted for, which day of reckoning, his Justice will not for ever delay, and though Justice have Leaden Heels, yet it hathin all Ages been found to have Iron Hands, could those, who have put Arms into your Hands, put courage into your Hearts, or other Souls into your Bodies, they might hope to make you good Souldiers, it is confest by all that the British were ever the best Fighters,

eady Sa. Fighters, and it cannot be denyed, but you were ever edid thu steemed the best Runners; Naturalists observe, that where d and his Nature is defective one way, that defect is supply'd anoas deliven ther, so the want of courage in your Hearts, is supplyed which is the with the better agility of the Heels, Oh the confolation at if by the of a fost Bogg, and a thick Wood in a day of Battel! Some of you have complained you have been oppressed by English ater Favoin e now as the Governors, it is confest that the Government of this hands, to b Kingdom, being a fubordinate Government, we as well our view, wh as you have too often received severities from powerful what if m Ministers, but did we ever take Rebellions, Murthers, o the Irib, Massacres, &c. for a Cure? or Irish Blood for our revenge? Though you may have some cause, yet we know your comvour strengt as he, within plaints have exceeded your cause, we can remember the complaint which the present Deputy made to his English Pregth, we disni decessor of great partialities in our then Judicatures, and which youhm we as well remember, that it was defired he would affign your number one instance, to Justify his complaint, and for his encouwell know ragement, was openly affured, that the cause should be ou are, the mor reheard, the injured Irishman relieved, and the offending Do not the Judge and Jury punished, but we could never hear of any e Luce, cank one instance given to make good the complaint. s in a days

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Do not multitudes of your own People, rather wish the return of that English Governour, then a continuance under the present Deputy? Was not the Kingdom improved under the one? and is it not funk a Moyety already of its intrinsique value, under the other? Trade was then encreased, Improvements encouraged, Justice equally Administred, is it so now? the Army was then well govern'd, the Establishments paid 18 Months in 12 Months time, is it so now? all the publick Debts cleared, the Kingdom well fatisfied and near fifty thousand Pounds left in the receivers hands; will your present Deputy ever, think you, do the like, in a word never was Governour received with greater Acclamation, never was that Government discharged with greater satisfaction, and never was that Government left with greater lamentation, will it be so now? as this is the

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first experiment which the Crown of England ever made of Irelands thriving under an Irish Government, so it's hoped, it may be the last, and its our only wish, that it may not now prove to be to dearly bought, its manifest by the experience of former Ages, that the Irish lived well and safe, under the British Government, and 'tis as manifest, that the British cannot live so under yours.

But you also further plead, that you are Innocent, and most injuriously barr'd of any benefit by that plea, and that

by the express words of the Explanatory Act.

1. You cannot but acknowledge, that in the times of usurpation, you had time without limitation, to prove your Innocence.

2. Such of you, as did appear so were all restored.

3. When constant good affection was thought too narrow, the qualifications for Innocency, so opened that door, that you got the whole Province of Connaugh and County of Clare from the then Power.

4. On the Late Kings restauration in 1660.the clamour of Innocency was again revived; and though the Universal Guilt of the Irish was then fully proved, and the just forfeiture of your Lives and Fortunes affirm'd, as appears by the Preface of the Ast of Settlement aforementioned, yet a Years time more was allow'd for Tryal of your Innocence.

5. On passing the Explanation Bill in the House of Commons in Ireland, it was made appear, that your Agents had inserted that Bar, or clause against Innocency, in the Ast of Explanation, on purpose to reproach the then ex-

pected Settlement.

6. The Commissioners for Executing the Act of Settlement being prevailed with by your Agents, to put the proof of your guilt upon us, and they severally refusing and undervaluing the Evidence of the Souldiery, both before and since 1649. as Parties, by reason of the satisfaction consirmed to them by the Acts, and rejecting the Irish as Participes Criminis, and the Irish having destroyed all the Old British within their reach, there was little possibility

to prove the Guilt of the most Rebellious, many who were prescribed by publick Proclamation, and large Sums offered to any to bring in their heads, were by these restraints, made Innocent; the Marquess of Antrem the only furviving General which the Rebels had in Ulster was openly declared Innocent; and the then Duke of Ormond being so declared the same day, was heard to say, that that Judgment was certainly erroneous; for that they heading two differing Parties, and Fighting with each other, on different Authorities, could not possibly be both Innocent, the Lords Taaff, Preston, Musskerry and Castle-haven being the only surviving Generals, in the other Provinces of that Kingdom, were so far from esteeming themselves Obnoxious, for what they did in that Rebellion, that they not only procured a restauration to their former Proprieties by the Acts of Settlements, but had large Donatives of fors feited Lands, confirm'd to them by that Law; and three of them the Addition of new Honours conferred on them, to make them the more fignally meritorious, and were raised to that Elevation of confident Merit, that they and others, most Active in that Rebellion, petitioned the Government here, to have their arrears Stated, for the good Services they did his Majesty in that Rebellion. that by the aforesaid restraints given by the Commissioners, and by the powerful interest of the aforesaid Generals and their Clergy, few or none were made Nocents, but such as wanted either Friends or Money, to make them Innocent. But when the guilty Claimant found that it was easier buying an inconsiderable part of his Estate from the Souldier or Adventurer, then to run the Risque of the whole by the expensive methods of that Court, they would usually purchase that small proportion, and limit their Claims to the purchased part, and to that no opposition being given they were declared Innocent of course, and being thus declared, they would foon after get their whole Estate by due course of Law, though this cheat is expresly mentioned in the Act of Explanation, yet there may the Reader find the decrees under

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under the Name or Title of decrees, Quo ad hoc, thade good by that Law, as illegal as were their whole collusive decrees, passed after the 2d. of July 1663. the British well knowing that was the time limited by Law for their Adjudication, and the British preparing little or no opposition against the worst of the Claimants, Innocents were made as fast as their Claims were read, and the work was so Sweet and Pleasant to the Commissioners, that they continued mak. ing Innocents until the 22d. of August following, fifty one days after the time by Law limited was expired, and in these fifty one days made more Innocents then they had done before, and that the benefit (deserves a worser name) might be equally divided, the Commissioners agreed that each Commissioner in his turn prepare his List of Claimants for that Days work, only the last day viz. 22d. of Angust. there was upwards of seventy Claims posted up to be heard, and their Clerk having not time to read half the Claims, and he making that day as many Innocents as the Court, was reported to share half the benefit of that Days work.

Yet as ILLEGAL Corrupt and HORRID as these Decrees were, they must, and that by a British Parliament be confirmed, and one third of what was less the British retrencht, or not one Foot could be confirmed to the British by that Law, as appears to any that reads but that Act of Explanation. THESE WERE FINE INNOCENTS! These and their Nacents are like to make fair Sheriss, Judges and Juries of such Estates as are secured, or less the British by that Law.

And as the Irish had these Encouragments in times of Peace, so on enquiry, it will be found, that they had as many or more in times of War, which (as appears) was begun not only with the highest Approbasion and Encouragment of their own Clergy, but had the United Concurrence, Benedictions and Masses of most of the Romish Clergy in Europe, for their good Success. Orban the

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VIII. the then Pope, thought it not enough, to fend his Nuntio, to be President of their Councels, and to A& as General over their Armies, but with him, fent his Bull, bearing date the 17th of May, 1642. fix Months after the beginning of the faid Rebellion, when above one hundred thousand innocent British had been inhumanly Butchered by the Iriff, and they at that instant Murthering more, as fast as they could, yet in the said Bull, his Holiness was pleased to call these persidious, horrid Irish Murtherers, Faithful Christians, Godly Warriors, their Rebellion a Godly undertaking to relieve their Country and their poor Massacred and Murthered British Protestants, Hereticks and workers of Iniquity, and by the faid Bull, gives further Encouragment to the faid Irish, to confess to any secular or regular Priest approved by the Ordinary of the place, who on hearing their faid Confessions, was Impowr'd to give them absolutions from all their Sins, how great, or hainous so ever they were.

In Imitation of this Holy Example, given by his Holiness himself, it is notoriously known, that no Pennance was more usually imposed by their Biggoted Clergy, on the most vilest Offenders, then the Murthering of Innocent Protestants, under the name of Hereticks, and that before they would give absolution, they would frequently advance Monies and promise their saying several Masses for their good Success.

And to conclude, at the Writing hereof, there is such Intelligence here obtain'd, which gives more then a probable assurance, the same Spirit is now at work, and some of the said Clergy have actually Employ'd profligate Villains, to Murther such Protestants, as are in prospect, under God, most likely to preserve the Reform'd Religion in this part of the World.

Are these the Doctrines or Practises of Christians, or are they not rather the Doctrines of the Devil, who was a Murtherer from the beginning? Well might the Heathen Cry, Sit Anima mea cum Philosophis; and as well may the Christian say, Nostrum non est Evangelium, aut hi sunt Anti-christi potius quam Christi Pontifices & Sacerdotes.

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Tyronne.
Tyrconnel.

Protestants.

Viscounts. Grandison. Wilmot. Lofius. Swords. Kilmurry. Castleton. Chamworth. Sligo. Waterford. Strangford. Tuans. Cashell. Carelow. Cullen. Shannon. Dromoore. Mazarine. Kells. Dungannon. Fitzharding. Clare. Charlemount. Powers. Bleffing Town. Ross. Lissburne.

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